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SUBJECT: WISCHNEWSKI COMMENTS ON THE PRINTING STRIKE

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1. MINISTER OF STATE WISCHNEWSKI TOLD LABOFF
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THAT HE WAS DISAPPOINTED WITH THE COURSE OF THE RECENT
MEDIATION IN THE PRINTERS STRIKE AND LOCKOUT.
WISCHNEWSKI HAD TOLD BOTH SIDES THAT HE WANTED HIS
NEWSPAPER BY MONDAY MORNING AND THAT HE WOULD NOT LET
THEM OUT UNTIL THEY HAD REACHED A SETTLEMENT. "THEY
TOOK TOO LONG" SAID WISCHNEWSKI, "AND I DID NOT GET MY
PAPER UNTIL TUESDAY." HE STATED THAT THE HARDEST PART

OF THE WHOLE MEDIATION WAS KEEPING BOTH SIDES AWAY FROM TELEVISION REPORTERS. "I MANAGED THAT FOR FORTY-EIGHT HOURS, AND THAT'S ALMOST A RECORD FOR BONN."

2. EMBASSY COMMENT: THE MEDIATION ITSELF REQUIRED POLITICAL PRESSURE (WISCHNEWSKI) AND LABOR EXPERTISE (STINGL). THE "LOCK THEM UP UNTIL THEY REACH A SETTLEMENT" WAS ALSO A SUCCESSFUL FORMULA WHEN ERHARD WAS ECONOMICS MINISTER IN THE EARLY 60'S. WISCHNEWSKI IS ALSO RUMORED TO BE MEETING WITH THE CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT AND DGB PRESIDENT VETTER ABOUT THE METAL INDUSTRY STRIKE TODAY (MARCH 23), BUT THE DGB IS "UNABLE TO CONFIRM THIS". IT WILL COME AS NO SURPRISE, HOWEVER, IF WISCHNEWSKI DOES INDEED PROVIDE THE POLITICAL PRESSURE FOR MEDIATION IN THE METAL INDUSTRY STRIKE. THE EASTER WEEKEND HOLIDAY MAKES SUCH INTERVENTION UNLIKELY BEFORE THE MIDDLE OF NEXT WEEK.
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